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Sir:

This is a supplemental response to the final Office Action dated July 30, 2003 in the above-referenced application, having a shortened statutory period set to expire October 30, 2003 and an extended statutory period set to expire January 30, 2004. Applicants hereby petition the Office for a three-month extension of time for responding to the Action and submit herewith form PTO/SB/17, which authorizes the Office to charge the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) to applicants' deposit account.

Applicants are filing this Supplemental Response along with a Request for Continued Examination. Therefore, applicants request entry of their previously filed Amendment and Response to the final Office Action, which is dated October 30, 2003, before entry of this Supplemental Response.